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**VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL**

Ms. Diane Salkie  
ATTN: Lower Passaic River Remedial Project Manager  
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U.S. EPA, Region 2  
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**Re: Monthly Progress Report No. 70 – June 2018  
Lower Passaic River Study Area (LPRSA)  
River Mile 10.9 Removal Action  
CERCLA Docket No. 02-2012-2015**

Dear Ms. Salkie:

**de maximis, inc.** is submitting this Monthly Progress Report for the above-captioned project on behalf of the Cooperating Parties Group (CPG) pursuant to the Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for Removal Action (Settlement Agreement or AOC). The Progress Report satisfies the reporting requirements of Paragraph 28 of the River Mile (RM) 10.9 Removal Action (RA) Settlement Agreement. The CPG previously identified several issues in Section (d) that delayed and complicated the completion of the RM 10.9 RA. These issues have been resolved by the Region's approval of the Long Term Monitoring and Maintenance Plan (LTMMP) and the delivery of a revised draft RM 10.9 RA Final Construction Report.

**(a) Actions which have been taken to comply with this Settlement Agreement during the previous month.**

**Meetings/Conference Calls**

- None

**Correspondence**

- On June 12, EPA Region 2 (Region 2) provided comments to CPG on the Draft RM 10.9 RA LTMMP Baseline Report.
- On June 15, CPG delivered the May 2018 Progress Report to Region 2.
- On June 19, Region 2 notified CPG that it had no further comments on the revised Draft RM 10.9 RA Final Construction Report and requested that the final version be submitted for acceptance.

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**Work**

- CPG uploaded the RM 10.9 RA Final Construction Report to EPA's SharePoint Site on June 20.
- CPG began preparing responses to Region 2's June 12 comments on the Draft LTMMMP Baseline Report.

**(b) Results of Sampling and Tests**

- NA

**(c) Work planned for the next two months with schedules relating to the overall project schedule for construction completion and monitoring**

- CPG will provide responses to Region 2 comments on the Draft RM 10.9 RA LTMMMP Baseline Report.
- CPG will initiate planning for the annual cap inspection pursuant to the RM 10.9 RA LTMMMP.

**(d) Problems encountered and anticipated problems, actual or anticipated delays, and solutions developed and implemented to address actual or anticipated problems or delays**

- None

If you have any questions, please contact Rob Law or me at (908) 735-9315.

Very truly yours,

**de maximis, inc.**

  
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